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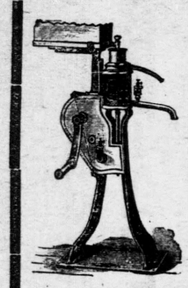

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, May 11th, 1903.

THE most important and sensational development in the current Post Office Investigation is the removal, pending the completion of the investigation, of General Superintendent of free delivery Machan which step was taken by the Postmaster General at the request of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow who, in a communication to Postmaster General Payne, intimates that the completion of the investigation will be materially facilitated by Mr. Machen's absence. Machen has accordingly been granted indefinite leave of absence pending the completion of the investigation but it is a master of grave doubt as to whether he will ever again occupy his desk in the Post Office Department. In addition to removing Machen, the Postmaster General has transferred the entire division of free delivery to the Bureau presided over by Mr. Bristow and has assigned as acting chief Mr. M. C. Fosnes, the Post Office Inspector who made so enviable a record clearing up the tangle into which Rathbone got the Cuban postal service. Fosnes is regarded as one of the most capable detectives in the Post Office Department and it is believed that hereafter the investigation will go on uninterruptedly and that the entire scandal which hangs about the free delivery division will be probed to the bottom. In view of the strong political backing of Machen, his removal is regarded as an indication that the Post Office scandals are to be thoroughly sifted regardless of political considerations.

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Widely circulated reports concerning the conduct of Russia in Manchuria, that province of China which adjoins the Russian frontier, have given rise to the wildest speculation and in some instances grave apprehension. Subsequent advices from more reliable sources, however, discredit the reports first sent out and it is even doubtful if Russia has re-occupied Niu Chwang as at first reported. While accurate information regarding the situation in this somewhat remote part of the globe is unattainable, it is the opinion of the State Department that gross exaggerations have gained credence and it is suspected that there is an ulterior motive in the attempt to secure from this country co-operation in a joint protest to be made to Russia by Great Britain and Japan. At all events, no move will be made by this Government until authentic information has been received and even if the alleged intention of Russia should receive confirmation it is doubtful if the United States would feel called upon to protest. Regardless of the sensational cablegrams which are likely to appear in the newspapers from now on, the people of this country have every assurance that the United States will not be made the cat's paw of the subjects of nations interested in commercial exploitation.

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The State Department has just made public for the first time its version of the kidnapping of Miss Ellen Stone by Bulgarians. According to the State Department officials a grave error was made by the payment of the ransom demanded, this government having received the most positive assurances that Miss Stone and her companion were safe from all actual violence, and it is claimed that a precedent has been set which will constitute a menace to all other foreigners in that section of the country. The report states that despite the protests and better judgment of the Department the entreaties of the missionaries, who contributed no part of the $66,000 ransoms, were permitted to prevail."

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Hon. Henry Clay Ide, member of the Philippine Commission, is in Washington, having come to the United States for a brief rest and a conference with Mr. C. A. Conant, the man who is to take part in the conferences looking to the establishment in all silver using countries of a currency system similar to that now being inaugurated in the Philippines. Speaking of conditions in the Philippines, Mr. Ide said to-day, "The members of the Commission are more than gratified at the progress of the Government and the rapid strides made within the last few months. Every business man in the islands is looking forward to the establishment of the new monetary system and works of improvement, long at a standstill because of the fluctuating value of the currency, have been started."

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The Secretary of the Navy stirred up a tempest in a teapot before he left to join the President in California by ordering the replacement of the officers now engaged in hydrographic work in the Navy Department with civilians and the transfer of the hydrographic Bureau to the Treasury Department. At the present time the officers who fill places in the hydrograhic office are on the retired list but are drawing increased pay because of their active employment. There is no other work which they can perform and the change will require them to live on their retired pay. The transfer was made at the personal wish of Secretary Moody and Speaker-to-be Cannon but there is some question if it will prove legal as Congress once refused to make such a change at the behest of Messrs. Moody and Cannon when both were members of the House.

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The Department of Agriculture has just issued a bulletin exposing the methods of certain seedsmen. It appears that some seedmen have been advertising pearl millet at prices varying from 12 to 35 cents per pound and "Pencilaria," "Mand's Wonder Forage Plant" etc, at prices varying from 40 cents to $1.50 per pound, the alleged novelties at the higher prices being indentical with the pearl millet sold at the lower figures.

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MARYLAND NOTES

The May term of Circuit Court for Harford County convened at Belair Monday, and Judge Fowler, of Baltimore County, presided.

High School commencements will be held in Cecil County as follows: Chesapeake City, May 27th; North East, May 29th; Elkton, May 30th.

Rev. W. T. Hammond, of Wilmington, has been appointed preacher in charge of the Local Preachers' Camp, to be held at Leslie July 22d.

Wilson Biddle, of North East, was committed to Elkton jail charged with assault with attempt to murder Thomas Russell at Carpenter's Point Fishing Shore.

Newspapers on the Eastern Shore are advocating a monument as a public recognition of the service to Maryland rendered by James Alfred Pearce, Representative in Congress and United States Senator.

As a result of an order issued by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to carry no milk to Philadelphia on the Maryland division after May 23d, an indignation meeting of farmers and dairymen was held at Newark Monday and an effort made to have the company rescind the order.

LAST OF THE SEASON

THREE-DAY TOUR TO WASHINGTON

The last Pennsylvania Railroad Personally-Conducted Tour to Washington of the present season leaves Thursday, May 14. Rate, covering railroad transportation for the round trip, hotel accommodations, and transfer of passenger and baggage, station to hotel in Washington, $14.50 from New York, $13.00 from Trenton, $11.50 from Philadelphia, and proportionate rates from other points. These rates cover accommodations for two days at the Arlington, Normandie, Riggs, Ebbitt, Shoreham, Cochran, Gordon, Barton, or Hamilton Hotels. For accommodations at Regent, Metropolitan, National, or Colonial Hotels, $2.50 less. Special side trip to Mount Vernon.

All tickets good for ten days, with special hotel rates after expiration of hotel coupons.

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THE WHEAT CROP IN SIGHT

The government crop report on winter wheat, issued April 10th, placed the percentage so high as to be actually sensational and decidedly "bullish," from a market standpoint. The condition was given as 97.3, the highest on record, and only a point or two below perfection. Last year at the same time in April the condition was 78.7, and the ten-year average was 82.1. The nearest approach to the high condition last month was in 1891, when the report showed 96.9. About 34,000,000 acres were seeded to wheat last fall, and calculating sixteen and a half to the acre as the probable yield, a crop of 562,000,000 bushels would result from the coming harvest. This would be the largest on record, the crop last year being 412,000,000 bushels from 27,103,000 acres. Of course, during the coming months various causes might contribute to disturb this pleasing prospect, no crop being entirely assured until safely garnered, but the records for sixteen years of the comparative conditions in April and the three succeeding months indicate that there is seldom any disastrous falling off from the April averages.

THE CLASSIC MEASUREMENT

The following measurements are founded on the classic ideal: Height, 5 feet 5 inches; weight, 138 pounds, waist, 27 inches; bust, 34 inches; arm, at the shoulder, 13 inches; wrist, 6 inches; ankle, 8 inches; calf of leg, 14½ inches; thigh, 25 inches.

The arms extended should measure the height from the tips of the third fingers. The hand in length should measure one-tenth of the height.

The length from the elbow to the middle finger should be the same as from the elbow to the middle of the chest.

From the top of the head to the chin should be the length of the foot.

The height of the head should be just four times the length of the nose.

From temple to temple, the measurements should equal the length of the face.

The stretch of the thumb and second finger should just measure the face.

The stretch of thumbs and first fingers should exactly circle the throat.

GEM SUPERSTITIONS

Modern people, as well as the ancient, believe that certain gems have certain powers. Some of the most popular superstitions regarding them are:

Garnets preserve health and joy.

Catseye is a charm against witch-craft.

Amethyst banishes the desire to drink.

Sapphires impel the wearer to all good works.

Emeralds insure friendship and constancy.

All precious stones are purified by a bath in honey.

Amber is a cure for sore throat and glandular swellings.

Coral is a talisman against thunder and evils by fire and flood.

Diamonds are said to produce somnambulism spiritual ecstasy.

Opals are fatal to love and bring discord to giver and receiver.

The agate quenches thirst, and, if put in the mouth, allays fever.

The onyx is apt to cause terror to the wearer, as well as ugly dreams.

The topaz is a preventative to lung trouble, imparts strength and promotes digestion.

USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

Whiskey applied to fruit stains on table linen will quickly remove the spots.

Iodine spots on linen will disappear if soaked for a time in ammonia and rinsed in clear water.

The best way to clean hairbrushes is with water to which a few drops of ammonia has been added.

Glycerine is a capital remover of coffee or milk spots from white goods. Paint the stains with the glycerine, then wash out the glycerine with lukewarm rain water.

A large manila envelope, pasted in the inside of the cover at the back of cook books, is a very handy receptacle for clippings and copies of receipes which one wishes to keep.

When the boiled potatoes are strained take them at once to the open door or window and give them a vigorous shaking in the draught. They will become white and mealy.

To remove tea stains pour boiling water over them. If of long standing, soak the linen in a solution of chloride of lime until the stains disappear, then wash through several clean waters.

Lime in the eye should be washed out quickly with vinegar and water, squeezing some drops on the eyeball. Then place a soft pad soaked in vinegar over the closed eye, and secure it to the head by a bandage.

A speck of dust in the eyes can be removed by a pointed piece of paper or a camel's hair brush. Afterward close the eyes and bind a soft pad over the lids and allow it to remain until all feeling of of pain is gone.

Thread which has been soaked in water over night, then slowly dried, will be found much better for machine use than thread which is used au natural. Seams that are stitched with it will neither draw nor stretch.

Varnish stains may be removed from the hands, and also from the brushes with which it is applied, with spirits of wine. First wash with a little spirit, and then, after wiping with a rag, wash thoroughly in soapy water.

An easy way of ridding the house of black ants is to brush all the crevices that are frequented by the tiny pests with alum and water, mixed in the proportion of two pounds of alum to three quarts of water, and applied boiling hot.

Alcohol and water constitute a good washing fluid for fine cut and plate glass. Soaps, cleaning powders and polishing preparations are apt to scratch and dim highly polished surfaces. Only old, soft towels should be used for wiping glass.

For softening water for bathing purposes nothing is better than oatmeal. Place a small quantity in a cheesecloth or muslin bag, place in the water for a minute or two, then squeeze and remove. The oatmeal must be renewed every few days.

There is no better remedy for a bee sting than the juice of roasted onion. Roast the onion in the ashes, if possible, and squeeze the juice out, hot as can be borne, on the affected part. This simple remedy, applied in time, has been known to save life.

The best way to remove marks and rings made by hot water jugs, etc., being put upon polished trays or tables is to make a thin paste of salad oil and salt. Leave it on the mark or ring for an hour; then polish with a dry cloth, and the mark will have disappeared.

Magnesia makes a capital cleanser for delicate, light colored fabrics that have become spotted or stained. Rub the spots on both sides with magnesia, then put the article away, just as it is. When needed, brush off the magnesia, and the dirt will be found to have disappeared.

No kitchen luxury gives better satisfaction than the kitchen bonquet which comes in caramel form, and lends a rich color and a delicious taste to soups, gravies, hashes and made dishes. It is made from a concentrated extract of vegetables, spices and meat extract, and a very little of it goes far in cooking.

When knives have steel blades they should be cleaned and polished after each using. This is best accomplished if a small basket is kept near at hand which contains a potato, a bathbrick and a polishing cloth. Scrape a little of the brick upon a board, dip the cut end of the potato into it, and use this to rub the blade of the knife free of all stains. Then polish with the cloth and wash the handle in warm but not hot water.

Opinions often differ as to the digestive qualities of bananas, especially for children. The banana is highly nutritious, and satisfies the craving for starchy food which most children feel. The trouble is that the fruit is usually eaten without being chewed, and the stomach has hard work to digest the solid lumps. A good way to serve bananas at the nursery table is to cut them in small cubes, thereby preserving the taste, white seems to be lost when they are sliced thinly. Break up fresh lady fingers with them and serve with plenty of sweet cream.

For slight burns, relief may be had by applying a linen cloth soaked in a strong solution of bicarbonate of soda. If one's clothes catch on fire the flames should be quickly extinguished by throwing over the victim a table cloth, blanket, shawl or rug. If one is standing when the clothes catch, first of all pull her down to the ground to prevent the flames from rising. The next step, after extinguishing the flames, is to procure some linseed, olive, or better still, some carron oil, and some cotton, wool or sheet wadding. Cut away the clothing carefully with a pair of scissors, taking care not to pull away any that may stick to the burnt parts. Cover the burnt surface as quickly as possible with pieces of linen or lint soaked in the oil. Where a burn or scald covers much of the body the clothing should be removed from only a small portion of the injured surface at a time and the part dressed with the oil before another part of the body is exposed. In cases of scalded or burnt mouths give oil or milk frequently.

THE STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

The strawberry shortcake
Is with us once more.
Oh, to linger awhile
On this desolate shore
And pour out the cream
In a long, steady stream
And blissfully smile
Like a man in a dream.

The strawberry shortcake,
Enchanting,
Supplanting
The plebeian pie
And the chocolate eclair.
The strawberry shortcake,
Persuasive,
Invasive,
Fit food for the gods
And a full bill of fare.

The strawberry shortcake
Is buoyant and light.
The present's alluring,
The future is bright
When you pour out the cream
In a long, steady stream
And blissfully smile
Like a man in a dream.

The strawberry shortcake,
Enthusing,
Suffusing
This cold-hearted world
In a radiance divine.
The strawberry shortcake,
Inviting,
Delighting,
Eh! Waiter! Another
Large helping for mine!

—*New York Evening Sun.*

MET HORRIBLE DEATH

Miss Laura B. Cranston, the daughter of Edwin J. Cranston, of No. 918 Franklin street, Wilmington, died Sunday afternoon as a result of horrible burns received in an accident at Newport on Saturday night. She was visiting her uncle, John A. Cranston at that place and was attending an entertainment given by the Loyal Legion in Red Men's Hall when the affair occurred.

The accident was caused by a large lamp which was hanging from the ceiling being jottled by Red Men who were in session on the floor above. The oil fell about Miss Cranston and in a second her dress was a mass of flames. In attempting to run from the room her foot caught in a table, which knocked over another lamp. The oil from the second lamp also spread over the unfortunate woman, which added to the flames. Every attempt possible was made by her friends to smother the flames. She was so frightened that she resisted help and it was not until the injured woman had succeeded in getting out of the building that the fire was put out.

Principal Conventions to be Held in Various Portions of the United States for Which Special Rates will be in Effect via Baltimore & Ohio Railroad

BALTIMOR, MD.—20th Triennial National Saengerfest of the Northeastern Saengerbund, June 15-20. Tickets on sale June 13th to 15th, good returning until June 22d, inclusive.

BALTIMORE, MD.—Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, July 21-23. Tickets on sale July 19th and 20th, good returning until July 25th, inclusive.

BALTIMORE, MD.- Seventy-Ninth Annual Session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., September 21-26. Tickets on sale September 19th, 20th and 21st, good returning until September 28th inclusive.

BOSTON, MASS.—National Educational Association, July 6-10. Tickets on sale July 3d to 6th, good returning until July 12th, inclusive.

DENVER, COLO.- Christian Endeavor Society, July 9-13. Dates of sale announced later.

DETROIT, MICH.—Epworth League, International Convention. July 16-19. Tickets on sale July 14th and 15th, good returning until July 20th, inclusive.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.—General Assembly, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., May 21-June 2d. Tickets on sale May 2d and 11th to 17th, good returning until July 15th, inclusive.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Dedication Ceremonies Louisiana Purchase Exposition, April 30-May 2d. Tickets on sale April 26th to 29th, good returning until May 4th, inclusive.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.-National Association Master Plumbers of U. S. A., May 19-22. Tickets on sale May 2d and 11th to 17th, good returning until July 15th, inclusive.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—Grand Army of the Republic, August 17-22. Tickets on sale August 4th to 13th, good returning until October 15th.

SARATOGA, N. Y.—Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order Mystic Shrine, July 7-10. Tickets on sale July 6th and 7th, good returning until July 20th, inclusive.

EDISON'S GREATEST INVENTION

Edison thinks that his recently completed storage battery, which he regards as his greatest achievement, will eventually eliminate the horse from cities. It will be used not only in the propulsion of cars, but all kinds of vehicles, from the largest to the smallest. It will undoubtedly work a great revolution in this respect and doubtless the dray horse will soon be going to join the old street car mule. Still there will be much need for the horse and many places and positions where even Edison's wonderful storage battery can not come to displace him. It will be rather a re-adjustment than a disappearance and it is safe to say that the horse will remain with us in some capacity or other for a long time to come.

REDUCED RATES TO SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES

On account of the meeting of the Master Plumbers' Association, at San Francisco, Cal., May 19 to 22, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to San Francisco or Los Angeles, May 11 to 17, inclusive, good to return until July 15, from all stations on its lines, at reduced rates. These tickets must be validated for return passage, for which the usual fee of fifty cents will be charged. For further particulars concerning rates, routes, and conditions of tickets consult ticket agents.

DELAWARE NOTES

Frank Strickland, train dispatcher at Clayton, has returned from a trip to Europe.

Sylvester D. Nelson, colored, has been held for County Court, in Wilmington, charged with stabbing his wife with a knife.

Burglars entered the house of Mrs. Henley, No. 17 Kentmere avenue, Wilmington, but were frightened away without securing booty.

It is expected that the new cut-off of the Pennsylvania Railroad will be ready for use in a few days and all freight trains which are not compelled to enter Wilmington will be run around the city.

The Wilmington Young Men's Christian Association, which has sold its Market street property to the duPonts, has secured No. 915 Delaware avenue as temporary quarters and eventually will erect a new structure at the corner of Delaware avenue and Tatnall streets.

INTERCHANGEABLE 1000-MILE REFUND TICKETS

Commencing June 1st, 1903, interchangeable 1000-Mile Refund Tickets will be placed on sale, limited to one year from date of issue, good only for transportation of the owner, with usual free allowance of 150 pounds baggage, over any of the following lines:—

Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. (Between all points east of Ohio River and between Pittsburg and Kane. Also to and from points on Philadelphia and Reading Railway and Central Railroad of New Jersey between Philadelphia and New York.)

Chesapeake and Ohio Railway. (East of and including Huntingdon.)

Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

Erie Railroad. (East of and including Jamestown and Suspension Bridge.)

Lehigh Valley Railroad.

Pennsylvania Railroad.

These tickets will be sold at rate of $30.00 each, subject to refund of $10.00 on surrender of cover to Trunk Lines Mileage Ticket Bureau, No. 143 Liberty Street, New York, at any time within eighteen months from date of purchase.

This form of ticket will be issued in deference to requests of numerous patrons of the lines in interest desiring one ticket good over several lines instead of having to provide themselves as at present with a separate ticket for each line they desire to use.

Agents at principal stations of the railroads named above will have these tickets on sale and give all further information regarding them that may be required.

WEST YARD WILL BE MOVED

"The business of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at the West Yard may be moved to the new yards at Edge Moor this week. It is the intention to get the cars and other paraphernalia away before the arrival of the circus train on Friday night, if possible. This train is a mile in length, and will be placed in the West yard.

"For many years the yard about to be abandoned has been an important one, doing a vast amount of business. The yard won the title of "the Slaughter House" several years ago, on account of to many being killed there. For a time there was a person either killed or injured every day. The number of tracks, which is twenty-seven abreast, and the running to and fro of the shifting engines and the through passenger and freight trains for both the Delaware and Maryland divisions, made it dangerous and railroad men feared to work there.

"There is a story that goes the rounds of the bunk-houses and other places where railroad men congregate about the ghost of the West Yard.

"In the dead of night, when the dampness of the nearby marshes comes over the tracks, enveloping the hundreds of cars in a white shroud, there are noises heard, according to the trainmen, of a person in the wildest despair. The more brave have followed the sound, and with lanterns have tried to locate the origin, but it is elusive, and wherever they go the sound comes from another direction. This has not occurred to one man, but many vouch for its truth, and almost all are glad to make the change."—*Evening Journal.*

All of the Newspaper Funny-Men of the United States in May Number, "Book of the Royal Blue."

As something unique in modern literature, the "Book of the Royal Blue" for the month of May will be on advanced lines.

The attempt to issue a publication which would include the well-known Newspaper Satirists and "Funny-men" of the United States, has never before been made, as the proposition is a big one. Nevertheless, they have been rounded up in this number, and each man will appear in his characteristic style, with photograph and autograph.

The matter gathered together in this manner is by far the best collection of newspaper wit and humor ever published. Newspapers will recognize its value at once, and every *Litterateur* will desire a copy, to become acquainted with the men who are the best representatives of American humorous literature.

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THE TOWN ASSESSMENT

THE TRANSCRIPT published last week a letter from one of our largest tax-payers calling attention to what he considered grave breaches of official duty on the part of the Town Commissioners, or a majority of them. As the communication reached us at a late hour, and as we did not have at hand a copy of the charter under which the Commissioners, as well as the Assessor, derive their authority, we did not attempt to comment upon the matter. Since that time, we have carefully and at length considered the case, and in this column will be found a copy of the only Section of the Charter that in any way relates to the assessment of Real Estate and Persons. Section 20 of the Charter provides for the assessment of dogs but has no bearing on the point at issue.

An examination of the Assessment List as it now hangs in the Middletown Hotel discloses that in a number of cases, erasures have been made and new figures in another hand and with another kind of ink. These changes, or some of them, are interesting. In two cases a material reduction is made, but in the most of them the assessment is increased. The fact that these two decreases happen to be on the property of Town Commissioners may be a mere co-incidence, but it has a tendency towards proof of the claim made by our correspondent that a majority of the Town Commissioners in a secret conference against the protests of the minority made changes in the Assessment List prepared by the Assessor before posting the same.

With the facts that appear it is evident that the Town Commissioners have certainly made at least one serious mistake in advertising that appeals will be heard and determined on Tuesday, May 26th, 1903, whereas the charter fixes the "first Monday after the expiration of the said twenty days." And it is probable that a court would be convinced by the appearance of the Assessment List that it had been changed by someone. Therefore, on suit, it would appear that the law had not been followed, the assessment was not impartially, fairly and equitably made, and possibly the entire tax levy be set aside. This would be a serious condition, as it would leave the town with no funds to pay interest on bonds, to light the town or furnish water for fire protection nor to police the town.

It must be rembered that the "Commissioners of the Town of Middletown," as a body politic and corporate in law, have the power and no more than that confered on them by the Charter. That instrument fixes the first Monday in March, yearly, as the date for holding the town election, and the same instrument fixes the "first Monday after the expiration of the said twenty days" as the date for holding the appeal court, and the Commissioners have the same right to change the first date as to change the second. It must also be remembered that the Assessor is chosen by the voters of this town, because of the belief on the part of a majority of them that he is particularly qualified to perform the duties of that office, and takes the oath provided for him to perform those duties faithfully and impartially. On the other hand, the Town Commissioners are elected, not with that idea, but because their business and other qualification, fit them to manage and direct the affairs of the town, nor do they take any oath or affirmation.

There is no reasonable ground for doubt that when the Assessor makes his assessment in the month of April and hands a copy of it to the Commissioners, it becomes their duty immediately to post that copy (and necessarily without alteration or amendment) at the Middletown Hotel, there to remain for twenty days, and on the Monday next after the expiration of the said twenty days to hold a Court of Appeal. Nor is there any doubt, that if no appeals be made the assessment stands as the Assessor made it. Nor that they have no right to change, alter or amend the Assessment List except on appeal made on the legal appeal day. Any deviation from the plain letter and intent of the law is dangerous as tending to becloud the legality of the tax levy.

A communication is published in another column from the Secretary of the Board, in which, while denying "some of the charges," admits that the Commissioners did make alterations in the Assessment List before posting the same. The Secretary further says that such has been the custom. We beg to differ with, him as we know that heretofore the Assessor has been present, and consenting to the changes suggested, has made the alternations, and this was always done before the List was turned over to the Commissioners. Never before, we think, has the Secretary or any other member of the Board of Town Commissioners altered a List, and we do not yet believe he or they have a right.

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SECTION 17.—And be it further enacted, that the Assessor of the said town for the time being, shall annually, during the month of April, make a true, just and impartial valuation and assessment of all the real estate within said town, an also an assessment of all the white male citizens residing in said town above the age of twenty-one years, as well those owning as those not owning real estate within its limits, and the said Assessor shall forthwith, after making such assessment, deliver to the Commissioners for the time being, a duplicate containing the names of all persons assessed, and the amount of their assessment, distinguishing the real and personal assessment of each. The Commissioners shall assess the real estate and person of the Assessor. The Commissioners shall between the first and fifteenth days of April, cause a full and complete transcript of said duplicate to be hung up at the hotel now occupied by J. C. Lippincott, in said town, there to remain for the space of twenty days thereafter for public information, and the said Commissioners shall on the Monday next after the expiration of the said twenty days, hold a Court of Appeal which shall continue open from 9 o'clock A. M., until 12 M., and from 2 P. M. to 5 P. M., of said day when they shall hear and determine appeals from said assessment. Notice of the hanging up of the list and also, at the same time, notice of the time and place of hearing appeals, shall be given by notices posted in at least six public places in said town.

The decision of the Commissioners upon any appeal shall be final and conclusive. No commissioner shall sit upon his own appeal, but the same shall be heard and determined by the others. After the valuation and assessment shall be examined and adjusted by the said Commissioners, all taxes shall be levied, assessed and raised on the real estate and persons thus valued and assessed in just and equal proportions and rates. The Assessor immediately after his election and before entering upon the duties of his office shall be sworn or affirmed by some Judge or Justice of the Peace, diligently, faithfully and impartially to perform the duties of his office to the best of his ability, knowledge and judgment, and a certificate thereof shall be made by the person administering the oath or affirmation in the Record Book of the Commissioners containing the certificate of the election of the Commissioners, Assessors and Treasurer aforesaid.

NEW COLLECTORS

The Levy Court has elected the Collectors of Taxas for the two years begining July 1st next. Three of the old collectors were refused a re-election. Among them, Mr. Thomas E. Hurn of this hundred. The other two were in Mill Creek and Christiana Hundreds, comprising the District formerly represented by Mr. John Lynn, and now by Commissioner Hopkins. While personally we have the highest regard for Mr. Hurn, and are proud of the fact that, as the first Republican Tax Collector that this Hundred has had in many years, he has made a record never before squalled in the discharge of his duties. But, his appointment was made two years ago, against the majority of the Republican caucus and by the corrupt combination of the two Democrats and the two "so called" Republicans who bolted the caucus. But with the advent of a Republican in place of Mr. Lynn, the caucus nominee was assured an election. Consequently, as Mr. Pharo had the necessary number of votes, (three) two years ago and as the same men stood by him this year, he was chosen.

The spectacle of a Democratic member of the Levy Court standing in his place and attempting to dictate the choice of a Republican official by a Republican Levy Court would be absurd were it not presumptious. In a situation such as now confronts the two Democratic Commissioners common sence dictates a discreet and dignified silence. That is what Mr. Mealey maintains, and it would be to the credit of his fellow member to copy his example. We know it is hard to realize, but it is a fact that Republicans are the majority party in this county, and are rightly held responsible for its government, and the sooner bumptious Democrats understand this "condition and not a theory" that confronts them, the better it will be.

(Communicated.)

A DENIAL

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., May 14th, 1903.
EDITOR OF THE TRANSCRIPT.

DEAR SIR:—A communication in your issue of last week headed "Who is Responsible" and signed "A Tax Payer" reflecting upon me personally, I deem it my duty to reply to same. Your correspondent tells us, that he has been creditably informed that the Secretary of the Board expressed his contempt for the assessment and with two other members takes the liberty to revise the assessment as made by the Assessor &c. In the first place, I wish to *emphatically deny* that I said anything in reference to the assessment other than to remark that the work was well done, and *I challenge proof to the contrary.* As to the assertion that myself and two others alone revised the list, I will state that with the exception of a few minutes when one member excused himself and went out, (for what purpose I do not know,) the full Board was present and assented to all that was done, and the Secretary made no changes or alterations other than those dictated by the Board. As to the Commissioners right or authority in the matter, permit me to say that I have been a member for several years, and each year the Assessment List has been submitted to the Board, and they have gone over it the same as we did this present year and *that before the list was hung up,* and no objection raised by anyone. I have talked with Ex-Commissioners, and find the same condition prevailed while they were in office. I cannot imagine why a "Tax-Payer" should have kept silent for years past, and now at this particular time endeavor to show that the present Board is composed of men detrimental to the town's interests. If he can show me any law prohibiting the Commissioners from going over the list before Appeal day, he will confer a favor.

Thanking you for the space allotted me in your valued columns, I am

Respectfully,
GEORGE G. ROWE,
Secretary of Town Commissioners.

ST. GEORGES ITEMS

Dr. J. W. DeWitt visited Philadelphia on Friday.

Mrs. Fred Hildebrand spent Saturday in Wilmington.

Edward Gam was a Wilmington visitor on Wednesday.

Miss Effie White spent part of last week in Dover.

Mrs. Charles Bendler spent Sunday with her family in Port Penn.

Mrs. George Hahn, of Odessa, is visiting her son-in-law, J. H. S. Gam.

Mrs. George Cann, of Delaware City, visited relatives here on Saturday.

Miss Dollie Cannon, of Bowersville, was the guest of friends here on Saturday.

Miss Elizabeth Stewart, of Philadelphia, is spending a week at her home here.

Mrs. James White spent Saturday with J. W. Carrow, Jr., and family near town.

Mrs. Sarah Cann is paying a visit to her son, George Cann and wife, in Delaware City.

Mrs. Clyde Hopkins and son, of Wilmington, are guests of Herbert Hopkins and family.

George Vincent and family spent Sunday with Arthur Saxton and wife near Bowersville.

Miss Mary Gray, of near town, and her guests, Mrs. M. E. Hart, of Townsend, visited Miss Miriam Bryan on Friday.

Agustus Weik and family attended the funeral of his father-in-law, John Stoops, which took place at Iron Hill on Friday.

H. C. Buckson and family and Mrs. D. C. Wolf paid a visit to Rev. E. H. Collins and family, at Bethel, Md., on Sunday.

Mrs. Mollie Preston who has been paying a several weeks visit to her sister, Mrs. A. N. Sutton, has returned to her home at Unionville, Pa.

Mrs. James Taylor who has been in the Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, for treatment for several weeks has returned home very much improved.

The first quarterly conference of this year will be held in the M. E. Church on this (Saturday) afternoon. Presiding Elder Rev. Robert Wyatt will preach tomorrow morning at 10.30 o'clock.

John C. Stuckert was called to Wyoming on Saturday by the very serious illness of his mother, Mrs. William Stuckert, a former resident, of our town, but now residing with her daughter, Mrs. Henry Rumer, at the above named place.

SASSAFRAS ITEMS

Potato bugs have arrived early this year.

Mrs. Rachel Stradley left on Monday for Clayton, Del.

Mrs. Frank Sylvester visited her parents near Kennedyville on Tuesday.

Mrs. Robert Johnston is lying critically ill at the home of her sister in Fairlee.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Spry left on Wednesday Morning on a trip to Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sylvester entertained their pastor, Rev. W. T. Litsenger for dinner on Sunday.

Mrs. Robert L. Griffith left on Wednesday to visit relatives in Wilmington, Del., and Chester, Pa.

Miss Susie Ford, of Ford's Landing, who has been visiting her sister for the past week left for her home Wednesday.

The Trustees of the Poor and Insane for Cecil County ask for an appropation of $7,000 and the proceeds of the farm for the coming year.

By the failure to build a trolley line between Chestertown and Tolchester via Rock Hall, the Baltimore and Chestertown Railroad company will forfeit to the County $2,500.

The ladies under the auspices of the Methodist Protestant Rehoboth Church will hold a strawberry festival in the Town Hall on Thursday evening next, May 21st. All are cordially invited to come and assist in a good cause.

The School Commissioners of the Cecil County on Monday re-organized by electing. George Blake, Esq., of Elkton, president of the Board, and George Biddle, Secretary, treasurer and examiner. Mr. Biddle is an Uncle of Herman Biddle Massey near town.

CHESAPEAKE CITY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Woolley and Miss Katie McDonald spent Sunday with Elkton friends.

Miss Anna Hayes has been visiting her parents at Bear Station.

Miss Annie Boulden spent several days this week with her brother, Alonzo Boulden, of the Manor.

Mr. James Lane is quite ill at the home of his niece, Mrs. M. E. Freeman.

Miss Emma Loraine was in Philadelphia last week.

Miss Laura Coleman has returned from Chester, Pa.

Mrs. D. Palmer Boulden and daughter were in Wilmington last week.

John Banks visited Philadelphia one day last week.

Mrs. John Miller is visiting in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Gough, of Baltimore, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Hudson.

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Ladies' Suits, Skirts, Waists.

Polka dotted Lawn Waists, in black and white, different sizes, row of tucking over shoulder, full front, plaited backs, the $1 kind **50c.**

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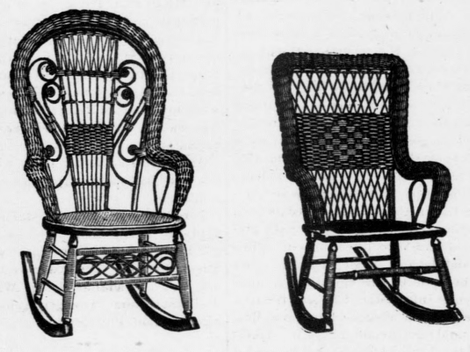

We have received one more lot of shose Reed Rockers. The manufacturer sent us one more lot, so we can sell them to our cusomers, they are just like the cuts, for **$1.98,** You had better come early, because they will not last long.

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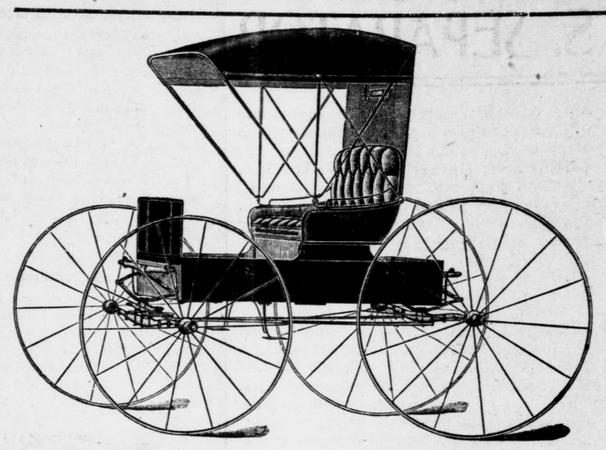

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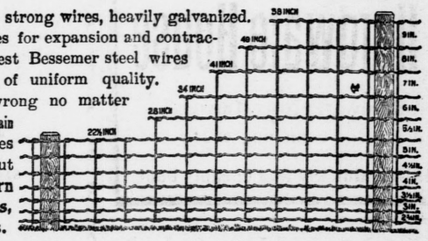

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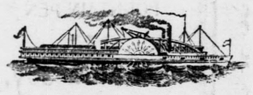

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Monday, 18th, 12½pm	Friday, 15th,	7 pm
Thursday, 21st, 3 pm	Tuesday, 19th,	11½am
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	Friday, 29th,	6½pm

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THE LAST CALL TO

Tax Payers

—OF—

St. Georges Hundred!

As this is my last notice to the taxable residents of St. Georgrs Hundred, all persons liable to pay taxes in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1802 are due, and I will sit

AT LLOYD'S HOTEL, IN ODESSA,
ON WEDNESDAY MAY 27th, and
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24th, 1903,
From 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

AT STIDHAM'S HOTEL, IN PORT PENN,
ON THURSDAY, MAY 28th, and
THURSDAY, JUNE 25th, 1902
From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT MY OFFICE IN MIDDLETOWN,
Adams' Express Building, every day and evening except the above dates.

Please read the following Extract of the Law:

"That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum; on all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum; on all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever; and on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January next ensuing five per centum thereof shall be added thereto."

ALSO, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

As my time as Collector will expire on July 1st, 1903, and as I am compelled to make settlement with the Levy Court, all persons who have not paid their taxes for the year 1902, will be proceeded against by law as provided by the Court, as I cannot wait any longer.

T. E. HURN,
Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

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$16,000 to Lone on First Mortgage

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Trains Leave Middletown as Follows:

North Bound—3.30, 7.52, 9.20 and 10.27 a. m; 4.14 and 6.05 p. m.
South Bound—12.49, 5.31, 9.21 and 11.40 a. m.; 3.56, 4.14 and 7.30 p. m.

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.30 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 3.50 p.m., 5.45 p. m. and 9 p. m.
Going South—8.10 a.m., 4.35 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—9.30 a. m., 11.40 a. m., 5.00 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Earlville and Sassafras—9.40 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., MAY 16, 1903.

Local News.

Full line of Fresh Groceries at E. F. INGRAM'S.

The drug store of Dr. G. B. Pearson has been beautified with a fresh coat of paint.

100,000 Sweet Potato Plants for sale.
E. J. STEELE, Florist,
Middletown, Del.

In another column of to-day's issue will be found the annual statement of the Road Commissioners for St. Georges Hundred.

The Delaware Railroad Company discontinued the use of the Western Union telegraph wire Thursday and put its own lines in service.

Mr. George Echenhofer has a new ad. in to-day's issue. He is buying wool, and paying the highest market prices for same. See his ad.

E. I. Alper, optical specialist, has a new ad. in this issue. If your eyes are troubling you give him a call, at his residence on West Main street.

Mr. O. M. Matthews has a large force of men at work painting the Clayton house on North Broad street, now occupied by Mr. Alex. Metten.

Mr. Joseph Berkman has decided to add to his stock a full line of men's, boys' and children's clothing. See his announcement in another column.

Rev. C. T. Wyatt, D. D., pastor of Bethesda M. E. Church, will preach tomorrow at 10.30 o'clock, from the text, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

100,000 Sweet Potato Plants now ready to pull, at $1.50 per 1,000. Apply to
CHARLES W. FLINTHAM,
Middletown, Del.

Until further notice the Middletown Public Library will be open on Tuesday afternoon, from 3.30 to 5; Saturday afternoons, from 3 to 5; Saturday evenings, from 7 to 8.30.

The Globe Clothing Store has added a new line of ladies', Misses', and children's shoes, and invite the ladies to give them a call and inspect their goods. See their ad. in this issue.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending April 30th: Sue Jones, Mrs. Maggie Williams, George Evertt, W. H. Hahn, W. H. Hahn. (Postal card)

Bishop Leighton Coleman preached in St. Anne's Church Sunday evening and administered confirmation to a class of four. The attendance was very large and the Bishop's discourse on "Idolatry" was interesting and instructive.

The shade trees recently set out along the walk leading to Forest Cemetery are putting out their green foilage, and from present indications there will be very little replanting necessary, as only a few of the large number appear to be dead.

A few weeks ago complaints were numerous about too much rain. Now it is too dry and fears are being expressed that vegetation will suffer. It does seem as though the weather, like some other things, cannot strike "a happy medium."

Mr. Charles P. Cochran left at this office on Tuesday several stocks of wheat which measured 44 inches, and from what we can learn of others who have looked various other fields, Mr. Cochran has the largest wheat in this section. It was grown at "Cochran Grange."

The Juvenile Minstrels returned Monday night, and the Opera House was well filled, and the program a very good one. Manager Suydam is making an effort to book nothing but first-class companies, and our people will undoubtedly show their appreciation of his efforts by turning out to such shows as he may secure.

Miss Mary Hutchin and her pupils gave a delightful musical recital in the New Century Club Room Saturday afternoon The program which was rendered principally by the juvenils was a most interesting one, and Miss Hutchin can justly feel proud of her pupils and their progress. Space will not permit us to give the program in full.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for tomorrow is "The lad with the loaves and fishes." John 6:9-11. Miss Mary Rothwell, leader. (A union meeting with the Juniors.) A full attendance is desired.

The editor of an exchange claims that his town has three of the stingiest men on record. The first will not drink as much water as he wants unless it comes from a neighbor's well. The second forbids any of his family writing any but a small hand, as it is a waste of ink to make large letters. The third stops the clock at night to save wear and tear of machinery. All of them refuse to take a newspaper on the ground that it is such a strain on the spectacles to read.

While William Rawley was returning to his home in Thoroughfare Neck from the Odessa Creamery, Friday, part of the harness broke loose, and in attempting to fix it, the horses started up throwing him to the ground. Both wheels passed over his body and his head barely escaped being stomped by the horses hoofs. The horses quickened their pace to a mad rush down toward Collins' Beach, finally breaking themselves loose. One of the animals ran into a trench and killed itself.

The funeral of Mrs. Annie Katherine Leatherberry took place Saturday afternoon and was largely attended. Services were conducted by her pastor, the Rev. C. T. Wyatt, assisted by Rev. F. H. Moore, D. D., of the Forest Presbyterian Church. The tributes of flowers from her relatives and friends were numerous and beautiful. A large cortage followed the remains to their last resting place in Forest Cemetery. The pall bearers were H. S. Beaston, W. S. Letherbury, W. B. Kates, J. E. Ginn, J. Z. Crossland and T. S. Fonracre.

Sun Bros. Circus gave two performances in Middletown Thursday, and both were well attended.

Emma, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Kilpatrick departed this life on Monday, aged five weeks.

A splendid lot of Red Cedar Posts for wire fence at right price.
G. E. HUKILL.

All New Idea Patterns 10 cents each. Not exchangeable.
MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

DR. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

The warm weather of the past few days has brought out the garden roses and their blooms are very pretty.

Good Samaritin Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F., has taken on a new lease of life, which is very gratifying to the old members. At the meeting Thursday evening three applications for membership were received, and we are informed many more will follow in the next few weeks. D. D. G. M., W. C. L. Carnegy was present and installed the following officers for the ensuing term: N. G., A. Metten; V. G., W. D. King; R. S., Joseph C. Jolls; P. S., J. F. Deakyne; Treasurer, F. J. Penington; R. S. N. G., William Brockson; L. C. N. G., W. T. Connellee; Warden, J. E. Ginn; Cond., J. M. Foster; I. G., G. Ellis; O. G., S. J. Brockson; R. S. V. G., J. C. Wilson. After the meeting the members and visitors repaired to Kates' restaurant where refreshments were served and greatly enjoyed.

GRADING FOR THE TROLLEYS

Wednesday morning a large force of men and teams began grading for the Middletown and Odessa trolley road just outside of the limits of this town, and the scene is one of great activity at this time. The right of way has been secured on the north side of the public road leading from Middletown to Odessa, and the owners of the property have been paid for the ground, and the only obstacle remaining is the contention over the $1000 bond asked for by our Town Commissioners, and we are informed the Tennis Construction Company who is to build the road has decided to build the road has decided to grant this request. Mr. W. R. Polk who is superintending the work informs us the road will be built as rapidly as possible, and it may not be many months before we may see the much talked of trolley cars passing through Main street.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS

At a business meeting of the Epworth League of Bethesda M. E. Church on Friday night of last week the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That in the death of Mrs. Katherine Leatherberry the Epworth League of Bethesda M. E. Church has sustained a loss which we all keenly feel. She was active in League work, and was ever ready to contribute to its advancement. By her amiability and cheeriness of disposition she greatly endeared herself to the members of the League. We shall cherish her memory, and hope to meet her in the land where there is no death. As a League, we wish to assure the sorrowing relatives of our heart-felt sympathy, praying that they may be sustained by the consolations of the gospel.

Resolved, That this memorial minute be spread upon our record, and a copy be sent to the town papers.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

CECILTON SIFTINGS

Dr. R. M. Black has presented his wife with a lovely piano.

Miss Edythe Alderson spent Wednesday with relatives in Earleville.

Woodall Jones, of Philadelphia, is at home for two weeks vacation.

William Money, of Townsend, was a caller in town one day this week.

Miss Frances Griffith was entertained on Saturday by Miss Lillie Pierce.

Messrs. Fred Hoover and Dallas Manlove spent Saturday last in Chesapeake City.

Misses Cora and Elizabeth Anderson were visitors in Philadelphia on Saturday last.

Oldham Davis, of Elkton, spent Sunday last with his mother, Mrs. Naylor Davis.

Miss Style Vineyard, of Warwick, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Edna Stephens.

Miss Mamie Pierce is spending a few days at Townsend, as the guest of Miss Mary Money.

Miss Julia Dushane, of Earleville, is spending a few days with her friend, Miss Mamie Jones.

About twenty-five young people from here attended the dance at Spa Springs on Monday evening last.

Mrs. Hennie Price, who has been spending sometime with Mrs. Allen Hall, has returned to her home.

An Epworth Anniversary will be held in the M. E. Church Sunday evening, May 17th. All are invited to attend.

Mrs. Wilbur Wooleyhan and daughter, of near Earleville, was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Patrick Anderson on Wednesday.

Mrs. Jennie Price has started a millinery store in the room back of the post office. Don't forget to call on her and look at her new line of goods.

WARWICK HAPPENINGS

Measles are in full bloom with some of the children.

Mr. Wilson Merritt lost a young colt with the lock jaw last Sunday.

Miss Mable Camel, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mrs. Jennie Goldsborough.

Junior Endeavor prayer meeting Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Senior Endeavor at 7.15.

Mrs. W. Ray Johnson, of Wilmington is sojourning with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Price.

A few from town attended the surprise at the home of Miss Edna Stephens, near Cecilton, last Wednesday evening.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Belle Brandon Lofland to Mr. Dee Swigettee Cannon, of Philadelphia, Thursday evening, May 29th, at her home here.

Mr. John H. M. Garner has a very lame horse at this writing, caused from stepping in a hole in a bridge. The bridge is not in Cecil county either. It happened on the good roads of Delaware.

Miss Hattie Day has re-opened her ice cream parlors for the summer: The public may rest assured that Miss Day will handle only the very best of frozen fruits and water ices.

Spring Fertilizers

Stored in our Warehouses by bag or ton, for Oats, Potatoes, Tomatoes, Asparagus, Corn, Berries, Peach Trees and General Trucking. Send your teams and orders along. Prompt attention.
JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

PERSONALITIES

Mrs. O. M. Matthews spent Monday in Wilmington.

Mr. Minos Banning, of Lewes, was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ruehm spent Sunday in McDonough.

Mr. Albert Alexander, of Wilmington, was in town yesterday.

Miss Caddie Shapley, of Smyrna, was the guest of Mrs. Andrew Holten Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Armstrong, of Odessa, spent Thursday with Mrs. John Armstrong.

Miss Grace H. Parvis has returned from Lancaster, Pa., where she has been attending school.

Mrs. William Collins and infant son, William, of Wilmington, are visiting Mrs. W. J. Barnett.

Mrs. Julian Bruerer Kelley, of New Egypt, N. J., is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. George D. Kelley.

Mr. Abram Hayden and Miss Bessie McCoy will be the guests of Wilmington friends and relatives to-morrow.

Mrs. A. M. Brown who has been confined to her room for the past nine weeks, we are glad to state is now able to be out again.

Mrs. D. P. Barnard an son, have returned to Wilmington, after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Reynolds.

Mr. Harry Downey who has been with Mr. E. S. Jones for the past two years has resigned his position, and will leave Monday for Wilmington where he has secured a position. He will be succeeded by Mr. William McCleary.

OBITUARY

CHARLES E JONES

As quietly and calmly as fades the light in the western skies Mr. Charles E. Jones passed away Wednesday morning, and another one of Middletown's oldest and best citizens has gone.

The circumstances surrounding the death of Mr. Jones are indeed sad.

On Wednesday of last week he was engaged in making some repairs on the property occupied by Mr. L. V. Kirk, when Mr. L. B. Lee a fellow workman fell from the building and was painfully injured, and as reported in THE TRANSCRIPT last week on the following morning the death of his daughter, Mrs. Katherine Leatherberry occurred, and the shock caused by the accident to Mr. Lee, followed the next morning by the death of his daughter completely upset him. He was taken ill on the same day, and while alternating hopes and fears were entertained regarding his condition, his many relatives and friends had little hopes of his recovery, and death released him of his sufferings at 7.45 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Mr. Jones passed the 70th milestone in life's journey on May 13th, and was a remarkably active man for his age. He was raised on a farm near Chestertown, Md., and followed that life until 1875, when he removed to Middletown with his family. He has been married about 45 years, and is survived by his wife and nine grown-up-children—seven daughters and two sons. Great sympathy is heard for the bereaved family, two deaths and funerals in less than a week being a most unusual circumstance in one family.

Funeral services were held at his late residence on Lake street Friday afternoon at two o'clock interment being made in Forest Cemetery. The following gentlemen were pall bearers: George Echenhofer, James R. Hoffecker, Enoch G. Allee, Thomas E. Hurn, John W. Denney and Moody Rothwell.

AN OLD CITIZEN GONE

John VanGasken, one of the best known citizens of Smyrna, died Sunday, aged 82 years. In early life Mr. Van Gasken was a contractor, then he became a farmer and during the 70's he was a large shipper of peaches and other fruit from Clayton. In 1858 Mr. Van Gasken was the defeated candidate of the Whigs for sheriff of Kent conuty. He afterward became a Democratic and was elected a Democratic member of the Legislature from his district. He was highly esteemed. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon.

TOWNSEND NOTES

Mrs. W. B. Weldon visited Philadelphia on Friday.

Mr. William Weldon visited Philadelphia this week.

Miss Anna Sharpless visited Odessa friends on Sunday.

Miss Katy Hutchison spent Sunday with friends in Odessa.

Miss Leah Short visited friends near Cecilton, Md., this week.

Miss Alma Lynam visited friends at Hillsboro, Md., this week.

Master Roland Reynolds spent several days of this week in Townsend.

Mr. William Lynam visited friends in Queen Anne's, Md., this week.

Supt. D. B. Jones visited the Marshallton and Hockessin in schools this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Donovan and son Kemp, visited his mother in Houston on Sunday.

Mrs. J. P. Pritchard, of St. Georges, visited her mother, Mrs. Jennie Staats, this week.

The Ladies' Aid Society, of Townsend, will give a strawberry festival on Wednesday evening, May 20th.

The young folks serenaded Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Larrimore on Tuesday evening. The Townsend band and the boys furnished music for the occasion.

COLLECTORS APPOINTED

The Levy Court room was the scene of a sensation Tuesday morning in connection with the election of the collectors. Commissioners John G. Armstrong and Thomas E. Hurn, the retiring collector in St. Georges hundred, having a pass at words with Commissioner Merritt N. Willits.

The collectors elected, who had been agreed upon by the Republicans in caucus, were as follows:

Brandywine hundred—George W. Casey.
Christiana—Walter Fanning.
Mill Creek—Henry B. McVaugh.
New Castle—J. Frank Megginson.
White Clay Creek—David Appleby.
Red Lion—Thomas H. Swan.
Pencader—Charles Walton.
St. Georges—Horatio W. Pharo.
Appoquinimink—Elias N. Moore.
Blackbird—Abram Staats.
South Wilmington—John W. McCoy.
North Wilmington—Isaac S. Bullock.

ODESSA NOTES

Miss Nellie Long visited Wilmington Sunday.

Mr. Cyrus Keen, of Wilmington, spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. F. B. Watkins is visiting friends in Trenton, N. J.

Miss Nellie Stevens entertained Miss Mae Spicer Sunday.

Mr. Benjamin Sacks and wife spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Mrs. Mabelle Caulk was a Wilmington visitor part of this week.

Mr. Clayton Cleaver and daughter spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Mr. George Heldmyer was a Philadelphia visitor several days last week.

Mrs. R. J. Foard, of Newark, N. J., is the guest of her father, Mr. C. Watkins.

Mrs. R. L. Hallett returned home on Wednesday after spending a week at Milford.

Mr. Charles T. Johnson and sister, Mrs. Kate Givins, visited friends at Smyrna Wednesday.

Mrs. E. S. Stevens left Thursday for Haddonfield, N. J., where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. R. B. Stephenson.

Miss Burdette Rose entertained her sister, Mrs. Barwick and daughter, Miss Nellie, of Kennedyville, Md., last week.

Mrs. R. N. Rhodes and son, Albert, have returned home after spending sometime with her sister at Kennedyville, Md.

The P. O. S. of A. will attend the service in St. Pauls M. E. Church in a body to-morrow morning, and a special sermon will be preached to them.

Edmund S. Stevens who has been employed in the Middletown Shirt Factory for sometime past, has accepted a position with Theo. A. White Mfg. Co., in Scranton, Pa., and left for that place on Monday.

Sunday being anniversary day of Epworth League appropriate services will be held in the evening. Rev. C. T. Wyatt of Middletown, will deliver an address to the League and Rev. J. M. Arters will address the League in Middletown.

Mrs. Elizabeth Morris very pleasantly entertained the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church on Wednesday evening. After business was over the entertainment committee entertained with games, etc. Refreshments were served and the evening was much enjoyed by all.

Cards of Thanks

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to my friends in this community for their kindness to me during my recent illness,
MRS. ELLA BOYLES AND FAMILY.
SASSAFRAS, MD.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.

Wheat—No. 1	.78	Corn—	
No. 2	.70	Yellow, shelled	47
Timothy Seed	$2.65	" cob	50
Clover Seed	10½c	Oats	50

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE.

Eggs, per doz	15@16
Country Butter, per lb	22@25
Creamery Butter, per lb	29
Lard, per lb	12@15
Live Chickens, per lb	12@15
Potatoes, per basket	25@30

CHEVIOTS AND WORSTEDS

Are popular for Suits. Cheviots at $10, $12 and $15. Worsteds at $10, $12 and $15.

A few special styles at $18 and $20. Black Thibets, $8 to $15. Black and Blue Serges, $7.50, $8.50, $10, $12.50 and $15. Nothing extravagant about our clothing, but all the Styles, Fit and Wear possible. We are doing a great trade in Boys' Clothing this season; you will know why, when you see the styles and prices and the immense stock for selection. Straw Hats are ready, Summer Shoes and Furnishings too. We have some new styles this week in Fine Light Colored Worsted Suits that will be very popular, $12, $15 and $18.

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Newark, Delaware.

Examinations for entrance to Delaware College will be held at the following places on Friday and Saturday, June 19th and 20th 1903, beginning in the morning:

Newark (at the College), Middletown, Smyrna, Dover, Milford, Georgetown, Seaford, Laurel, Lewes.

Candidates will write to the President of the College to tell at which of these places they may desire to appear and they will be notified where there examinations will be held.

GEO. A. HARTER,
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A New Department.

During the past week we have added to our stock a large and well selected line of

Misses', Ladies' and Children's Shoes and Oxfords,

in all the latest styles. A visit to our store will convince you that we have both style and quality at exceedingly low prices. Our stock includes many different styles, in vici and enamel patent leather, in both high and low tops, and many others which we have not space to mention.

The following Specials are Fair Examples of what the Globe Store can do for you. ∴ ∴ ∴ ∴

Men's and Young Men's Suits.

Mixed Gray with Checks	$ 4.75
Black and Blue Cheviot...	5.00
Union Cashmeres and Worsteds	5.50
Silk and Wool Mixtures...	6.00
Black Thibets, military cut	7.00
Guaranteed All-wool Serges	6.50
Imported latest style Mixtures	7.75
Fancy Worsteds, latest designs	10.00

Men's and Young Men's Pants.

Strong Working Pants	.65
Never Rip Pants	.75
Blue and Black Cheviot. ..	$1.00
All-Wool Scotch Mixtures..	1.25
Fine Worsted with stripes	1.25
All-Wool Nobby Striped Worsted	1.50
Very Fine Dress Pants, in stripes, checks and plaids	2.00

Children's Suits.

Children's Suits, sizes from 6 to 15	1.15
Black and Blue Cheviot	1.25
Black, Blue and Gray All-wool Children's Suits	1.50
Black or Brown Scotch Mixtures, double-breasted	1.75
Wide Wale, Blue Serge	2.00

Children's Suits in Norfolks and the very latest style Blouses, sizes from 3 to 10. We have them in all-wool serges, Scotch mixtures, plaids and stripes $1.00, 1.25, 1.75

Men's and Boys' Shoes.

Men's and Boys' Shoes	1.00
Men's and Boys' Business Shoes	1.20
Fine Dress Shoes	1.50
Extra strong and fine dress	1.75
Goodyear Welt	1.90
Extra Fine Shoes	2.25
Oxford Ties	1.50
Goodyear Welt Oxfords	2.00
Children's School Shoes	.75
Box Calf Children's Shoes..	1.00
Extra Fine Children's Shoes	1.2

Furnishings.

Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers	.21
Fine Percale Shirts	.25
Bedford Cord Shirts	.35
Black and White Working Shirts	.25
Double Back and Front, Black striped or Dotted Shirts	.45
Extra Fine Percale Shirts...	.45
Extra Fine Madras Shirts with cuffs detached	.45
Canton Jean Drawers	.21
Extra Fine Jean Drawers...	.45
Fancy Hose	.10
Heavy Working Hose	.55
Hemstitched handkerchiefs	.5
Fine Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs	.10
Rubber Collars	.10
Fine Silk Suspenders	.15
Extra Fine Suspenders	.25
Police Brace	.19
Egyptian Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers	.25
Latest Style Silk Bows	.10

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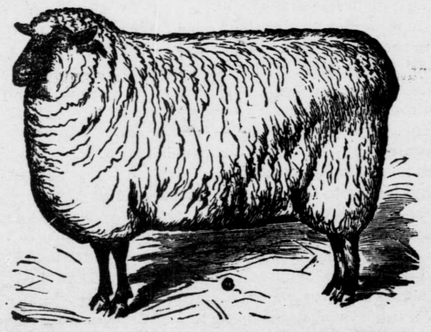

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Our best advertisement, has always been and will be our astonishing cheapness of prices. Making very small profit, we are able to sell a good garment cheap.

We sell a good strong suit at $2.50, all wool suits at $4, $5 and $6. For $7 and $8 you get a suit of very fine goods, we have got extra good for $10.

Special.

50 doz. Men's half hose, worth 15 cents will go this week at 4 pairs for 25 cents.

A lot of blue shirts, also a lot of plaid jumpers bought of a railroad wreck, worth 50 cents to go at 25 cents.

A lot of summer coats 25 cents each.

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All claim to have the "best," and all are no doubt sincere in their belief, but it is only reasonable to suppose that some have better Clothing than others.

For ten years we have been selling Clothing in this very same place, we stood back of our Clothing to the end, and every purchaser was satisfied. We had to give it up for want of space and time, for our store is full of other goods, and the time taken up by our large trade in shoes and dry goods.

The same old friends come to us and demand that we take in Clothing as they do not want to stray to other pastures.

The Clothing is here. So is our guarantee, if you see anything you think is better you can have your money back, if anything goes wrong we are here to make it right.

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MIDDLETOWN, - DEL.

STATEMENT
—OF THE—
Road Commissioners
—OF—
St. Georges Hundred,
—FOR THE—
YEAR ENDING MARCH 14, '03.

RESOURCES:

Taxes due from 1900, unpaid		$ 1,205 38
Taxes due from 1901, unpaid		509 10
Taxes due from 1902, unpaid		1,092 94
Subject to errors and commissions		$ 2,807 42

LIABILITIES:

Bonded indebtedness	$ 9,000 00

DR.

Amount in Citizens Bank Mar. 10th, 1902		$ 667 60
Amount of Taxes from H. G. Rettew for the year 1900		807 00
Amount of Taxes from H. G. Rettew for the year 1901		865 90
Amount of Taxes from H. G. Rettew for the year 1902		4,355 00
		$ 6,695 50

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Checks Drawn for Expenditures on Roads for 1902:

James Maning	$ 2.50
W. T. Lucas	16.40
T. E. Clayton	10.60
Samuel Calmile	1.25
H. M. Pleasanton	18.87
Peter Wafles	6.25
E. W. Pleasanton	14.00
S. P. Hurd	2.50
J. C. Alston	5.50
Asbury Rochester	2.20
Edward Miles	2.83
Middletown Transcript, printing	12.00
William Webb	5.00
John P. Vandergrift	9.00
E. W. Pleasanton	19.35
Peter Waller	5.00
Eben Pryer	3.75
H. M. Pleasanton	13.00
David Shockley	1.25
Asbury Rochester	11.25
Wesley White	2.63
J. C. Alston	22.00
Edward Miles	13.26
Tom Empson	6.25
Dave Little	6.25
Edward Miles	6.25
Tom Empson	7.50
J. C. Alston	14.00
John W. Mercer	6.75
George Ross	3.75
Charles Grimmage	7.50
T. E. Clayton	16.01
T. E. Clayton	39.63
E. W. Pleasanton	28.90
Howard Hopkins	7.50
Dave Hopkins	8.75
H. M. Pleasanton	20.25
William Webb	3.43
Eben Pryer	8.75
Dave Shockley	11.25
H. M. Pleasanton	27.50
E. W. Pleasanton	40.00
W. T. Lucas	84.51
George Ross	6.25
Harry Crow	6.50
Charles Grinage	6.25
T. E. Clayton	4.50
Thomas Empson	6.25
Isaac Winder	5.00
Edward Miles	8.25
J. C. Alston	13.00
Peter Brown	1.25
Lewis Hall	7.50
Charles Grinage	8.75
George Ross	7.50
T. E. Clayton	57.50
James Saven	3.75
William Cox	9.75
Edgar Spicer	11.38
Jerry Collins	1.25
Tom Turner	3.75
Thomas Empsom	7.50
Edward Miles	10.25
Wesley White	5.25
J. C. Alston	31.75
S. S. Holten, stone	5.00
R. R. Cochran, "	5.00
G. F. Brady, "	14.00
B. McMullen	9.75
S. P. Hurd	5.00
Joseph Haman	5.00
James Vandergrift	13.75
Edward Armstrong	13.00
H. M. Pleasanton	52.00
David Shockley	1.25
Wilmer George	3.25
E. W. Pleasanton	73.40
T. E. Clayton	21.50
George Ross	2.50
Charles Grinage	2.50
Thomas Empson	2.50
William Cox	22.75
Edward Miles	3.50
Edgar Spicer	12.25
Martin E. Moody	5.00
James Saven	8.75
J. C. Alston	25.00
Good Roads Machinery Co., for Scoop	5.00
W. C. Bigger	37.45
William Cox	6.50
James Saven	3.75
G. E. Hukill, material	65.18
Middletown Transcript, printing	1.00
Wallace Dickinson, labor	1.25
J. C. Alston, labor and teams	29.93
Davis Bros., tools	5.70
George Wilson, labor	4.37
J. P. Vandergrift	8.49
E. W. Pleasanton, labor, teams supervisor	34.25
S. P. Hurd, labor	6.25
David Shockley, "	10.00
H. M. Pleasanton, " and team	41.87
William Demby, "	8.75
William Cox, " and team	17.87
James Saven, "	1.87
J. F. Eliason, agent for C. B. Loar for logs for bridge	8.00
William Edwards	5.00
Barnett McCall Lumber Co., lumber	300.00
Charles Grinage, labor	3.75
George Ross	6.87
W. T. Lucas, labor, team and supervisor	78.11
J. M. Cleaver, labor	3.25
T. E. Clayton, labor, teams and supervisor	41.76
William Hall, labor	5.00
Wilson Turner, "	5.00
H. M. Pleasanton, " and team	22.12
E. W. Pleasanton, " team and supervisor	18.00
J. C. Alston, labor and team	15.00
A. J. Pennewill, labor	7.50
William Cox, "	17.87
H. M. Daniels, "	1.87
John Hall, "	1.25
William Cox, " and team	13.00
A. J. Pennewill, "	2.50
J. C. Alston, " team and supervisor	28.75
W. T. Lucas, labor, team and supervisor	52.76
T. E. Clayton, labor and team	12.75
James Saven, "	17.50
William Cox, " and team	45.50
Arthur Yearsley, "	6.25
Peter Wafles, "	13.75
Nathan A. Yearsley, labor	6.25
H. M. Pleasanton, " and team	35.75
S. P. Hurd, labor	14.00
W. T. Lucas, labor, team and supervisor	12.75
William Cox, labor and team	42.25
George W. Blackway, labor	16.25
G. E. Hukill, material and tools	10.45
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BY ETTA W. PIERCE

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

Death is slow to come to the few who seek it. Weeks passed. Miss March lay in a darkened chamber, tossing on hot, stifling pillows, talking to shadowy shapes that flitted about her, and to her father's pictured face above the chimney-piece.

O papa! she would moan, why do you frown upon me always? Why do you call upon me to avenge you? See how weak—how powerless I am! Last night I went seeking you in your old camp on the North Fork. I saw the spot where you were murdered—your grave, too, under a rock of the lonely canon.

The face of a gray-haired nurse bent over her; then another, pale, with silky, golden hair smoothly laid on the womanish forehead, and brows knitted above tigerish hazel eyes. She stared at the latter in strange fascination.

Are you always here? she cried. Go away. Why do you bear with me so long?

He smiled down upon her like a god, but did not go.

Convalescence followed. One day, in her quiet chamber, still carefully darkened by the surgeon's orders, Agnes March was lying alone as Doctor Brandt entered. He paused on the threshold to gaze in upon her. Over her white wrapper—over the pillow which softened the horse hair sofa to her head, flowed the ripples and clusters of her purple-black hair, down, down to the very floor below. Paler than ever she was, and larger and darker than ever in her severe Greek face shone the magnificent eyes whose failing power no unprofessional observer could have detected. Her exquisite arms, with their draperies falling back, were flung above her head. A book of plays had slipped to the floor beside her. She lay buried in some sad, sad reverie.

Doctor Brandt advanced to the sofa, and picked up her book.

I have forbidden you so much as to open this, he said, sternly. Why do you not obey me?

My eyes are growing strong again, she answered. I was to have had an engagement this winter—do you know that? I may yet be able to make up for the time I have lost.

Leaning against the wall by her side, the surgeon looked down on her.

You will do nothing of the kind, unless you wish to bring upon yourself the fate I am trying to avert from you.

Something in his tone constrained her to look up for the first time.

I ought to be very grateful to you, she said. You seem to have put yourself to so much trouble because of me. Why do people call you pitiless—cruel?

Because I am both, he answered.

She let her uplifted arms sink listlessly down to her side.

I should not have suspected it.

You do not yet know me. No man ever had an established reputation for a particular quality unless he was guilty of it in some degree. Abandon all further thought of the stage. Years may pass before you are again able to study for it.

My one talent! she cried, bitterly. O my God! how hard this is!

The passionate anguish of her words seemed to agitate him strangely. He advanced to the couch whereupon she lay.

And will nothing satisfy you but that life of rant and tinsel? he cried, angrily, breathlessly. Have you no dreams of home and love, like a rational woman? As God hears me, you shall never be an actress! There is another and widely different future for you. Agnes, Agnes, I love you!

She started up from her pillow. Till her dying day would she remember the way he stood and looked at her, with his pale face and fierce, overmastering eyes? The man without pity or sympathy seemed hanging now for very life on the caprice of a girl.

You love me—you? she repeated, dwelling on each word with slow, astonished emphasis.

Madly—utterly! Will you marry me? said Eric Brandt.

They stood gazing at each other. Which was the paler no eye could tell. But in the thrilling—yea, terrible silence which followed, slowly surely, the face of the girl dropped downward to her breast. A burning crimson swept her colorless cheek. Her young body, so warm, so rich in mold, swayed almost imperceptibly toward him.

Agnes!

As he called her in that wild, importuning voice, she moved forward like a needle to a magnet. He did not attempt to lay so much as a hand upon her, but drawing her nearer and nearer by the might of the great passion aflame in his face, he opened his arms mutely, and she glided into them, and with that yielding grace by which a woman owns her master, sank upon his breast.

There was silence for a space, then Agnes March spoke:

How came you to think of me—to love me—a Bohemian from my birth up! Had you no other patient more worthy of your regard?

He did not even smile down at the arch, splendid face upturned to his own. He looked stern and pale.

Has your life, then, been so hard, my darling? he asked, in a constrained tone.

Not hard, she answered, for friends of my father in the west have sent me, since his murder, sums more than sufficient for all my wants—but very sad, very lonely, Eric.

He held her face pressed down into his breast.

Since you love me—and you do—you do! he cried, in fierce exultation; and since you have nobody to consult, and I have nobody, nothing must stand between us—not even time. I will have no delays; they are dangerous.

He was smiling his faint, incomprehensible smile, but there was a look in his eyes, half fear, half mad joy, which she could not fathom. Stirred by the depths of her own fiery heart, she rested in his arms—the arms of the man who had acknowledged himself cruel and pitiless but a few moments before—her master!

Do you give yourself utterly and entirely to me, Agnes?

Utterly and entirely, she faltered.

He bent and sealed her rich mouth with one long, slow, passionate kiss.

They sat quietly down in that mean room to talk of their future. Over her hands his own, velvet-soft, but strong as steel, closed with the conscious grasp of possession.

I will give you one week longer here, he said, and only one. Then we must go abroad. I do not wish to see this part of the globe for ten years, at least; not till I have bound you to me indissolubly; not till you have learned to love me so well that angels nor devils can tear us apart.

Fierce, passionate as she was with others, Agnes March felt like wax in the will of this man, so much fiercer, stronger, more passionate than herself. Had Eric Brandt asked her that moment to sink with him to the bottomless pit, she would have done so, unwilling, perhaps, but powerless to resist.

When he had left her in the deepening twilight of this momentous day; when she was alone with the new life of love which had opened so suddenly upon her, she turned in the fulness of her faithful heart to the portrait above the mantel.

Papa, she began, in a low, awed voice, have you heard all? He loves me! Is it not strange, papa? He has wealth and genius and fame; all that I have not. His presence is like some subtle drug to me. I am in a delirious dream when he is near. I am full of fear and despair when he goes. As he held me to his heart tonight, he did not know that I was praying silently to die, that moment. I could not bear to think of ever living another. O papa, if this is love, how terrible it is! You used to tell me when I was a little child, that like Charles Stuart, I carried misfortune in my face; but, oh, whatever losses await me in the future, pray God his love be not one of them! Better any fate, any torture, any death, no matter how cruel.

Then there was silence in the room, for Miss March, with her face bowed forward on the mantel, was sobbing bitterly.

One week from that night she married Doctor Brandt. It was in the dreary November day. The sky was mournful with gray scud. A biting wind swept through the long streets. From the carriage window Agnes saw the first snow of the season dropping in great ghostly flakes in the gloomy night. She shivered in her magnificent bridal dress, and from the opposite seat Brandt leaned over and drew around her shoulders an opera cape, all silk and cashmere and swansdown. His white gloved hand closed over hers.

A dubious night for our wedding, he said, and there was a feverish impatience in his air. Thank heaven, here is the church, and a crowd about the door. Bah! Agnes, once more, and for the last time before you are mine forever, I ask you, do you love me?

A tremor went over her from head to foot as it ever did at the sound of his voice. The satin and lace on her bosom stirred to her quickened breath.

So well, she answered, in a faint, agitated tone—so well that I am afraid of my own happiness. I seem to be moving in a dream. Oh, hold me fast. Do not let me awake.

The carriage stopped.

Perfect love casteth out fear, he said hurriedly.

The next moment the soft, white snow was blowing in their faces. They had entered the church-porch. People were gazing at them, among others a brown rough-bearded man, who stood just within the inner door, and stared blankly at the pair as they passed. The place was densely crowded. Half the city, it seemed, had gathered to the marriage of the famous surgeon. Agnes March walked forward to the alter. Behind her veil she could see the hothouse exotics which covered it. Their perfume drifted, deadly sweet, through the nave. A pause, a little expectant hush; then the service began which made those two, man and maiden, one for evermore.

Softly the snow fell without, and the dark night settled down. Almost as softly on the silence of the church dropped the solemn words, What God hath joined together. Eric Brandt's eyes were fixed on the face of his bride. His hand held hers like a vise. Over their heads the benediction floated out on the scented air. It was over. She was his wife.

They turned from the alter, and went back along the aisle toward the door. As they approached it, the brown man with the rough beard and rougher dress, still standing agape by the middle entrance, took a step nearer the pair. Heaven only knows why Agnes March should have lifted her downcast lids at this moment, why her eyes should have singled out that one rude figure from all the others there, but so it was. As the two reached the door, the man made as if to lay a hand on the surgeon's arm, but overawed, recoiled.

By the Lord! he cried aloud, I'm beat if it isn't Colter!

Doctor Brandt started, swung half round, startled at the speaker an instant, then nodded, and passed on. The man fell back into the crowd. The bridal-pair departed through the church porch, and all was done.

But Agnes? Were the skies falling? Had the earth parted beneath her feet? Her heart for a moment ceased its beating.

Rumble, rumble went the wheels over the snowy pavement. They were going home—home to his luxurious house in the aristocratic street near by; and stunned, paralyzed, in a corner of the carriage she crouched, her lips frozen in horror, ready to shriek aloud, yet having no voice, and staring in awful fascination at the man who sat opposite—the husband of a few moments, monstrous in his stony calm.

The carriage turned the corner of the street, and stopped at the door of the elegant house. Doctor Brandt extended his hand to help her alight. Even through her glove he could feel its icy coldness. Like an automation, she moved on beside him up the broad steps, across his threshold, and into the superb hall, blazing with light, and filled with the servants of his household. She paused there, and flung back the tulle from her face, whiter even than its airy folds.

Send them away, she gasped, catching his arm for support; let me speak with you alone.

Without a word he drew her into a drawing-room, glowing with wintry tints of crimson and gold, closed the heavy black walnut door, and leaned his back against it, facing her.

Am I going mad, do you think? was her first question, wildly put, with her hands clasping her head.

I trust not; I think not, answered Doctor Eric Brandt.

A two-edged sword seemed driving through her heart. Perhaps it was the intolerable pain she suffered which made her words so sharp and fierce.

Who was that man? she demanded.

What man? he answered, as if striving to hold for a moment, at least, the crisis which he saw approaching.

The man who spoke to you there in the chuch-door.

His name is Carraby.

She confronted him like a ghost, her bridal-garments trailing around her, a dire look on her tragic face.

Why did he call you Colter? she demanded.

He was pulling the gloves slowly from his delicate hands. The light of the elegant room shone full on his handsome figure, and on the pale mast-like face, which grew paler and paler under her stony gaze.

He knew me by that name, he answered, at a period of my life so bad, so wild, that the proud old stock from which I came disowned me for a time. It was then that I assumed it.

Where—when you called Colter? she urged.

Six years ago, in the far west, Agnes.

A sharp cry escaped her lips. She clasped her hands upon her heart a moment, then let them fall powerless by her side.

Six years ago, in the far west, repeated Agnes Brandt, in a camp on the North Ford, where you killed a miner named March, the father to whom I owe my being and now you stand before me here, my husband and his murderer!

He did not stir; he did not speak.

Eric! she cried, in dire anguish, holding out to him her wild white arms. No, No! it cannot be! Tell me I am mad—dreaming! Tell me it is not so! Oh, for the love of heaven, tell me that you are not that man!

She was down at his feet, twining around him her white arms, uplifting to him her face, stricken, overwhelmed, the orange flowers crushed in the loose rich hair which poured over her shoulder and bosom.

Eric! Eric! Eric!

He did not so much as touch her, but dragged his face aside, that he might not see her as she knelt.

It is true, he answered, in the mechanical way in which he had before spoken; I am that man.

With a shriek which might have rent the roof, she leaped to her feet. Over her face swept a fierce change. She confronted him like a pantheress.

Did you know me when I came to you that night?—did you know that I was his child?

I knew it, said Doctor Brandt, as if the words were torn from him, and still keeping his eyes cast down, from a portrait which he carried always, and which I often saw, and from the talks—the many talks which he had with me regarding you.

And it was you who sent me the money by which I have lived since that time?

It was I.

With the same hand that killed him you have fed me year after year. Why did you bring me to this? How dared you ask me to love you? How dared you marry me? O great God! why was no one sent to warn me that this was the man whom I have cursed for years—whom, sleeping and waking, I have prayed heaven to avenge me upon? Could you not meet me on equal ground? Could not the murder of the father content you? Must you also destroy the child? It was worthy of you, truly! Was it for this you kept me from the death I sought that night in the river? Death! O God! what is death compared with such agony as this!

Words cannot tell the horror, the wrath, the anguish that mingled in her voice. And still he did not speak, only stood like one who could neither palliate nor deny anything, his head bent forward, his deadly white face expressionless as stone. Years after, by night and by day, she could see him standing thus, with the light falling on his dumb, motionless figure and pale golden hair.

Why do you not speak? she cried, wildly.

In a voice changed beyond recognition, he answered her:

Because you would believe no explanation which I could make, Agnes—at least, not now. I have but one word to say, and that is, Forgive!

Never! never! she cried. By the love I bore him, by that which he bore me, never! Let me go; I cannot breathe the same air with you. Move back from that door. My father's blood is between us! I would rather die than ever look upon you more!

He moved as she bade him, slowly, mechanically.

Agnes! Agnes!

She repelled him with a gesture, then snatched from her hair orange flowers and bridal-veil, and crushing them under her feet, turned and fled out into the hall beyond.

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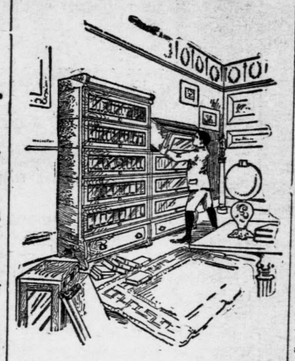

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